

***Amendments to the Specification***

Kindly replace paragraphs [0008], [0019], [0030], and [0041] with the following replacement paragraphs. The replacement paragraphs contain no new matter.

[0008] FIG. 4 is a flow chart of an embodiment of ~~[[or]]~~ a method of screening the computer data for at least one virus;

[0019] Typically, each of the telephone lines 12 communicates to at least one end station at a corresponding customer premise. Examples of end stations include, but are not limited to, telephones, facsimile machines, and computers. The telephone lines 12 can include digital telephone lines to communicate digital signals to various ones of the customer premises, and/or analog telephone lines to ~~[[Go]]~~ communicate analog telephone signals to others of the customer premises.

[0030] Before describing a preferred embodiment of a virus screening method in accordance with the present invention, an example of the telephone network 10 to ~~[[']]~~ screen computer data is described with reference to FIG. 2.

[0041] Preferably, each virus-screening processor has an associated memory device to store at least two packets ~~[[packers]]~~. As subsequently described herein, the ~~[[She]]~~ virus-screening processor can receive a packet and determine whether the packet can be immediately forwarded to the client computer, or if the packet is to be stored in the memory device for further analysis.